

## REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed May 13, 2008, which has been reviewed and carefully considered.

Entry of the present amendment and allowance of the present application in view of the amendments made above and the remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claim 3 is allowed. Applicants gratefully acknowledge indication that claim 3 is allowed. By means of the present amendment, claims 4, 6-10 have been amended to depend directly or indirectly from allowed claim 3. Further amendments include changing "characterized in that" to --wherein--, and changing dependent claims to begin with "The" as opposed to "A", and correcting any other informalities noted upon review of the claims. Such amendments do not address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Claims 1-2, 5, 11-20 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of Applicants stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in

condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. If any informalities remain, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at 914-333-9632 in order to expedite allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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